Academic Achievement Innovative and Exemplary Programs

Arizona Board of Regents (ABOR)

High Honors Tuition Scholarship a.k.a. AIMS Scholarship

Administered by the Arizona Department of Education

NEWS UPDATES

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On Thursday, September 29, 2010, the Arizona Department of Education was informed by the Arizona Board of Regents of a "technical correction" in the recently approved revised criteria for the Board of Regents High Honors Tuition Scholarship. The "technical correction" is regarding the number of times a student can test to exceed on the AIMS test in order to qualify for the scholarship. Previous communications indicated students would only have one opportunity to exceed on the AIMS test (sophomore year) but in fact they **WILL** have three opportunities (through Junior year). The changes (outlined below) will **NOT** go into effect until the class of 2013 (current high school sophomores).

The changes are as follows:

University Academic Year 2011-12 (Current high school seniors)
No change to current criteria or award amount

University Academic Year 2012-13 (Current high school juniors)
No change to current criteria or award amount

University Academic Year 2013-14 (Current high school sophomores)

Part 1 & 2: No changes to criteria for competency courses, GPA, or class rank.

- Part 3: a. Students must exceed on AIMS Reading, Writing and Mathematics by sophomore year (1 opportunity to exceed) the end of their junior year (3 opportunities to exceed)
 - b. Add ACT or SAT scores: ACT score of 28-36 or SAT1 score of 1300-1600.
 - c. Reduce the scholarship amount to 25% of tuition. At the discretion of the university, a student may be awarded more merit aid.

The full proposal and criteria can be found on the Arizona Board of Regents website at: https://azregents.asu.edu/boardbook/Board%20Agenda%20Books/2010-09-Meeting/Item%2025%20Corrected-Revised%202010-09.pdf

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